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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Customer No. 23643 Group: 1657 Confirmation No.: 8358 Electronically Filed: June 16, 2008 Application No.: 10/728,033 Invention: Method for Repair of Body Wall Stephen F. Badylak Inventor: Filed: December 4, 2003 Attorney Docket: 3220-73985

LETTER REGARDING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Laura J. Schuberg

Sir:

Examiner:

Transmitted on June 16, 2008, is a Request for Continued Examination

Transmittal. Applicant requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 in the
captioned application. Applicant also filed an Amendment and Response, transmitted
herewith, and the amendment satisfies the requirements under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(a) and
(c) for filing a submission with a Request for Continued Examination.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$810.00 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) for filing a Request for Continued Examination to the Barnes &

Thornburg LLP Deposit Account No. 10-0435, with reference to our matter 3220-73985. Applicant has previously filed a Notice of Appeal on November 16, 2007, along with the prescribed fee to maintain the pendency of the instant application until January 16, 2008, which may be extended under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). Applicant also hereby petitions for a five-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to file this Request for Continued Examination and the accompanying response, extending the due date to June 16, 2008. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to also charge the amount of \$2230.00 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(5) for the five month extension of time to the Barnes & Thornburg LLP Deposit Account No. 10-0435, with reference to our matter 3220-73985.

Applicant does not believe that any other fees are required for filing this Request for Continued Examination. If any other fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the same to the account of Barnes & Thornburg LLP, Deposit Account No. 10-0435, with reference to our matter 3220-73985.

> Respectfully submitted, BARNES & THORNBURG LLP

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